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Suspect arrested for pointing laser at News Helicopter

Riverside, CA- On September 9, 2010, at approximately 1350 hours, a news helicopter crew was on scene during the deteriorating bridge/falling concrete incident at Spruce and Chicago. Their film footage included images of a suspect making rude gestures and shining a laser at the helicopter. They also photographed and took video of the suspect's vehicle and license plate.

Riverside Police Officers conducted follow up and checked several locations for the suspect. Officers were able to locate the suspect, Stephan JOHNSON (D.O.B 11-15-82) on Foster St. in the city of Riverside. JOHNSON admitted to Officers he pointed the laser at the helicopter. JOHNSON was subsequently arrested for penal code section 247.5 PC and booked into the Robert Presley Detention Center.